IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Glaucia PARANHOS-BACCAL

Application No.: 09/319,156

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Examiner:

J. Parkin

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For:

AND NUCLEOTIDE FRAGMENTS, RETROVIRAL PARTICULAR ASSOCIATED WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND/OR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS, FOR DIAGNOSTIC, PROPHYLACTIC AND THERAPEUTIC USES

## NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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Not required (fee paid in prior appeal in this application with no Board Decision on the merits).

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